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Description is very generic and although  
intended for aerospace applications it  
can just as well apply to other  
bolted joint applications.

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